

The Chulmleigh Cheer!

Celebrating student success

Welcome!



to our first ever edition of *The Chulmleigh Cheer*, where we 'Celebrate Student Success'!

OPAL Helps Us Grow

It is so important to us to celebrate OPAL and so we have dedicated a WHOLE page to our playtime. Turn to p2 to read more...



Enjoy our joy!

Of course we have so much more to celebrate other than OPAL, including...

Creativity

Clubs

Kindness

Thoughtfulness



As well as...

Compassion

Music

Sports

Our love of the outdoors

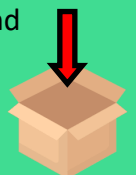
FUN FUN FUN!

A huge proportion of our press team are incredibly creative and so we have also put together quizzes, games, jokes for you to check out. You'll also find some super comic strips inside. Go on, take a look...



So Proud...

For the past four weeks, we have been working hard on pooling ideas, collaborating, interviewing, writing, editing and publishing, and we are so proud of ourselves! Have fun reading and don't forget, YOU can write for the paper too— just pop your entries in the box near the office.



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OPAL Help Us Grow

Why we think OPAL is OUTSTANDING

Written by
Harper and Evie in Year 2 and
Elphie in Year 6

A couple of weeks ago, we sent a large team from our wonderful Newspaper Club out into the playground. We interviewed a few of our amazing students and they told us what they **LOVED** about our outstanding OPAL system and why.

Evie in Year 3 informed us, "I like the monkey bars because they're really fun!"

Esmee in Year 2 declared, "The swing bars are the BEST!"

Many of our students LOVE football!

One of these people is

Frankie in Year 5, who enthusiastically explained to us, "I love football because I LOVE IT!"

Clemence in Year 3 likes the monkey bars the most. Whereas **Erith in Year 2** loves to play dinosaurs.

Alisha in Year 2 enjoys picking up leaves and Scarlet in Year 4 just loves to play outdoors.

We loved **Seth's** reply too, as he said he likes OPAL as there are so MANY activities and **Toby in Year 3** said it's all about SHARING.

Our Favourite Activities:



THE DIG PIT



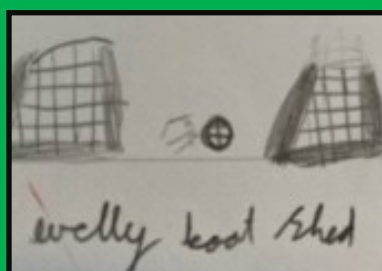
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Bug Exploration



Sketch by Abi in Year 5



Let's Celebrate: Clubs

The Cub Club

Written by Zac in Year 5

For almost two years now, I have been doing Cubs and have loved it!

There are lots of different Cub groups but our nearest is Chulmleigh Cubs. I go to 1st Bow Cubs where I get to do my favourite thing of all: have fun outside.

Cubs is also about challenging yourself and I have learnt many new skills too. One particular activity was the challenge of sewing a rucksack. This was tricky but it made me feel so proud as I had never tried to hand-stitch before.

Zac's so proud of his project!



If you like to be outside and do some outdoorsy things then you might like to join cubs. Cubs is ages 8-10 but there is also Beavers, ages 5-7 (I think) and Scouts for age 11 and over.



Guitar Rocks!

Written by Louis in Year 5



Music is so important to me because I get to practise my talent and have fun at the same time.

I first picked up a guitar because my dad's friend had 2 guitars and then I learnt to play and now I have so many dreams.

As soon as started strumming, I felt so happy then I realised what I could do.

Ever since, I have been dreaming of being a band member.

My main ambition is to get in a band and to **ROCK OUT!**

LAMDA

Written by Zac in Year 5

Since September, I have attended after school Drama Club on a Thursday and it has been lots of fun! If you like to pretend to be different people then you might like it, too.

We do lots of games to help you learn and improve your drama skills, such as wink murder, the shopping game and many, many more...

Working together with others who also love to act is one of the best parts. In order to act out a scene, we have to be so good at listening to each other, not being afraid to try things out and also being creative with our bodies, voices and props.

Let's Celebrate: Sports

Football Fan

Written by Max in Year 5

My favourite sport is football! I've been playing football 4-5 years. My biggest achievement is probably when I saved all of the penalties during the last game against Barnstaple. This made me feel proud because I was able to prove myself to my



★ The Falcons ★



My name is **Olivia** and I am in **Year 2**. For the past year, I have been going to a gymnastics club called The Falcons. I have learned lots of new skills there, like back bends and walkovers.



New to Football



Similarly, **Oliver in Year 3** loves football. He only started two months ago but thinks it's really cool. His favourite position to play is in goal.

Sports Club

Written by Juno and Charlotte in Year 1

We go to Sports Club and it's so amazing!

Running and star jumps are our favourite things to do and we have even managed TEN star jumps in a row!

We want to play football when we're older and so we go to Sports Club to get stronger and better.



For the past three years I have been playing football and mainly play defence or mid-field. I got a Manager's Award and we won the cup, which made me love it even more!



"Winning the cup has to be one of my proudest moments since I joined Chulmleigh football club."



Written by Tate in Year 5

We Care About Animals

Written by
Alice and Rosanna in Year 2

Why should we care for animals?

It's fun looking after animals. If we didn't look after animals, they could hurt themselves so we should always look after them when we can.



Some are endangered so it is really important to care for them.



Also, sometimes animals care for us as well, like guide dogs or ponies for children who need them.

What can we do to look after animals in the wild?

We can leave food out for them and we can make a nest for them or make a little resting place.

How can we protect them from litter?

Pick up rubbish when we see it if it is in the woods or on the grass.

Make sure we put ALL of our rubbish in the bin.

If we see rubbish on the beach we should definitely pick it up.



Can you think of a time when you have been kind?

"I picked up a worm that I saw on the pavement to save it from being stepped on."

I also saved a big group of snails and made a bug hotel for them in my garden so they were safe.

Looking after animals makes me feel good because I am helping them when they need it."

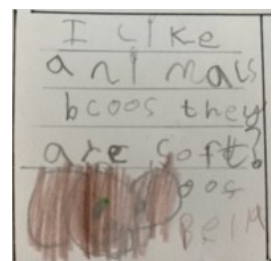
We Adore Animals

February was National Hedgehog Month



Abi in Year 5 researched the many ways we can care for hedgehogs and found that the best one was to "Put out kitten biscuits or meaty food to help them through the colder periods."

Illustrated by Alice in Year 2



Written and
illustrated by
Bella in Year 1

We Care About Our Planet

Let's Rave About Recycling

Written by
Ruby in Year 5

It may seem really daunting when you think about trying to be 'green' and how the world around is suffering from climate change, the abundance of plastic and pollution.

However, we have a solution.

CELEBRATION!

Let's CELEBRATE all the things we currently do to protect the environment around us in the hope that this will encourage us to continue and inspire others to start.

I try to do as much as I can for the environment, and here are a few examples: I help sort the recycling to make sure it all gets processed properly; I grow my own vegetables and flowers so I

don't have to go to the shops as much, the reason being that basically everything is wrapped in plastic; also, my family has chickens so we don't have to drive all the way to the shops just to make an omelette. The chickens also help make compost, again because usually shop bought stuff is wrapped in plastic.



Abigail and Ethan in Year 2 created posters to highlight all the ways in which they like to care for the environment around them, and to encourage us to do the same.



COMPETITION TIME: NATURE ARTWORK

Draw, paint, sketch, colour, collage...

Create a picture to CELEBRATE nature.

POP YOUR ENTRIES IN THE NEWSPAPER CLUB BOX BY 31ST MARCH

PRIZES TO
BE WON!

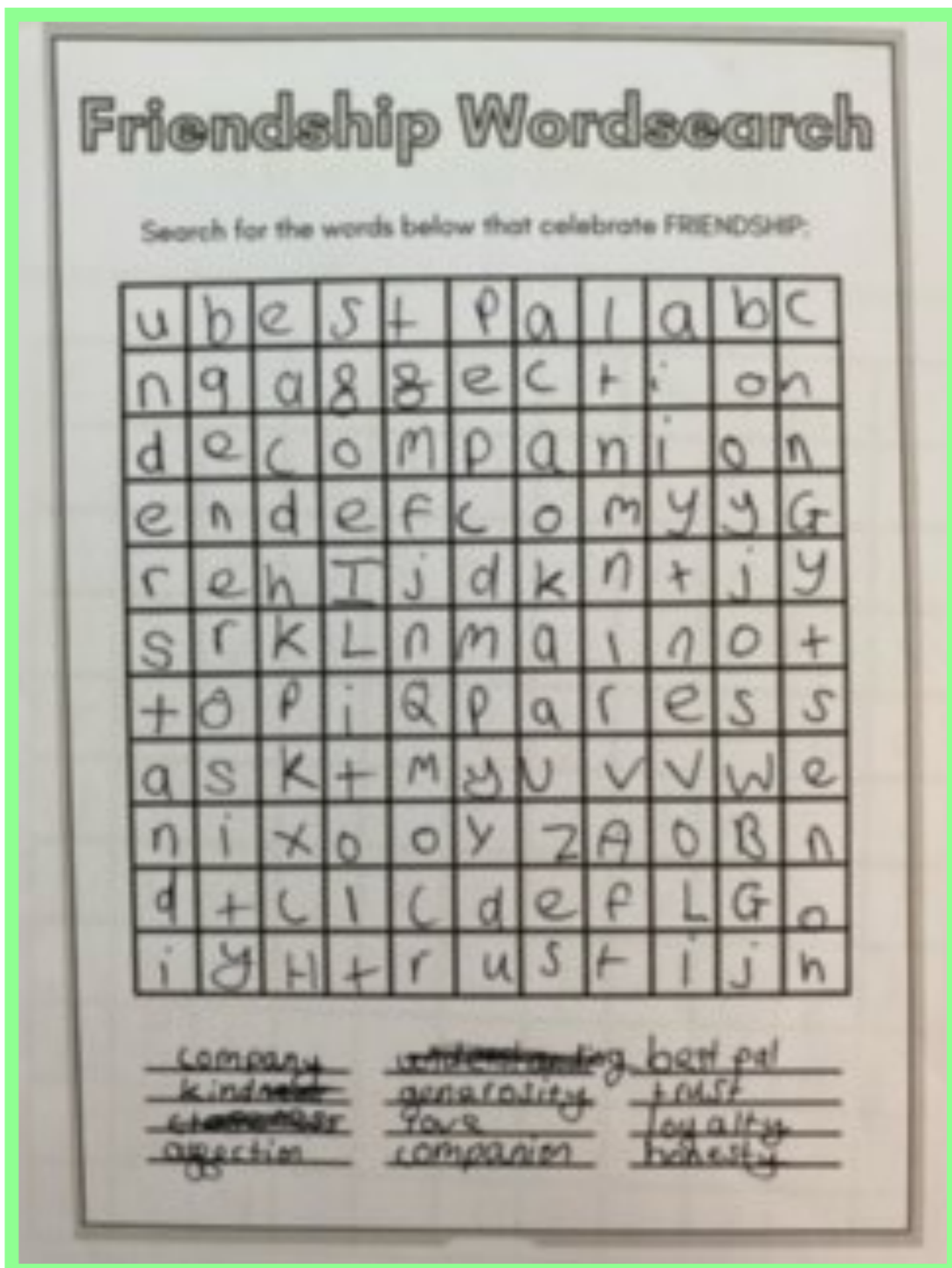
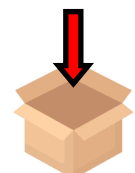
Game ON!

Activate your brain

Created by
Macie and Beth in Year 5



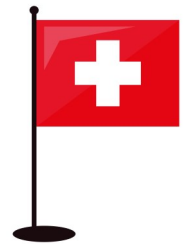
If you would like to create games or puzzles for the newspaper, we'd love you to create something at home and pop it in the box at school so we can publish it in the next issue!



Jacobs' Jokes & Logan's LOLS



Created by
Jacob in Year 2,
Jacob in Year 5
and Logan in Year 3



What's the best part
about Switzerland?

I don't know but the
flag's a huge plus!



How much did Santa
pay for his sleigh?

Nothing... It was on
the house!



I like elephants...

... Everything else is
irrelephant!

When are athlete
jumpers best at
jumping?

SPRING!



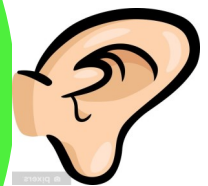
Knock knock.

Who's there?

Ears.

Ears who?

Ears another knock
knock joke for you.



Celebrating Comic Genius!

Kindness is Key

Created by
Oscar in Year 5



Captain Slug UNLEASHED!

Created by
Cohen in Year 3

Greetings!



Created by
Charlotte
in Year 1



Sketched by
Lilly in Year 5



Created by
Juno in Year 1

Celebrating Story Writing

What Dedication!

Esmee in Year 2 is so conscientious that she copied out a WHOLE story! What was most impressive, was that she wrote in her BEST handwriting, made sure to include all the different types of punctuation used by the writer, David Walliams, AND even created her own front cover.

So in our first edition of *The Chulmleigh Cheer*, we're celebrating your hard work and dedication, Esme!



What we'd really LOVE to celebrate is your own creative writing!

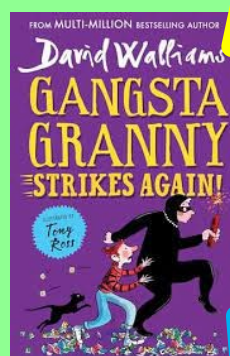
Get inspired



"It's good to be scared right? As a kid I loved to watch Dr Who, a little bit scary is good. Roald Dahl books are scary."

David Walliams LOVES to write for pleasure. Why don't you give it a try?

Check out our ideas:



WILD WILL

Grant Goes Gaga

RIOTOUS RACHEL

Your story can be an opening paragraph or even a couple of pages— any amount will do. Just try your **BEST!**

Celebrating School Council

Leadership, Democracy and Innovation

Written by
Alex and Erin in Year 5

We're so fortunate to live in a democratic country where each constituency (area) has a representative that has their best interests at heart.

And Chulmleigh Primary School it is no different.

We have at least two representatives for each class, a boy and a girl to make it fair and equal. As representatives, we decide how we should raise money for the school equipment and resources, like glue sticks. We are also fighting for what we think our school needs.

In recent meetings we have been talking about what we need and have come up with lots of great ideas.

For example, we want to create a DIY DADS' CLUB (there'll be more information in the next issue of *The Chulmleigh Cheer*). If a cupboard is broken they'll fix it—they're on it. Having dads come into school will also bring more equality to Chulmleigh and bring in great male role models. There are a lot of great female role models but we need more males.

After we have shared our ideas in School Council, Mrs Hancock writes down the ideas and we discuss them further. If an idea is very popular then we will speak about how much money we think it might raise and if it is doable. It needs to be financially balanced in order for us to run with the idea.

What we love about School Council is that we are able to contribute our own ideas and opinions. It makes sense these ideas coming from the students because we know what we need and want as we are the ones learning.

